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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
NEGRO WELFARE LEAGUE.

February 18, 1917.

Present - Rev. Oaman Brown, Elizabeth, Mrs. Eugene Gregory, Rev. Dr. Lust, Rev. Mr. Johns, Mr. Beverly, Rev. R.D. Brown, Mr. C. M. Brown, Mr. Dusenberry, Mr. Douglas Falconer, Mr. W. MacDougall, Miss Pendleton, Miss Atlanta Brown, Mrs. W. Green, Rev. Mr. Benfield, Miss Robinson, Mr. Stubblebine in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary and approved.

The Executive Secretary reported that Mr. Jones of the Urban League had sent agent of the L.C. Smith Typewriter Company to the office and arrangements have been made to buy built over machine. The price however, is \$85 instead of \$50.

The telephone connection has not yet been made, although application has been forwarded. Blank has been received for application for affiliation with the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that the following three persons be asked to become delegates from the New Jersey Negro Welfare League to the National body, i.e.

A. Sadlar, Montclair, N. J.
W.B. Valentine, Bordentown, N. J.
Mrs. Eugene M. Gregory, Newark.

(1) The Chairman suggested and it was duly moved, seconded and carried that all meetings of the committees and sub-committees of the League should be approved by the Executive Committee through the Executive Secretary. Also that all standing committee meetings should be held at Headquarters, and notices of such meetings shall be sent out from Headquarters.

(2) All bills shall be O.K.'d by the secretary and Chairman of the Executive Committee before the treasurer honors them. Bills can be contracted by any member of the League without consulting the Executive Secretary.

(3) It must be made public that no solicitor is authorized to collect money from the general public for the League, although every member and person interested is expected to get members for

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the League at \$1.00 a year or more.

It was moved by Mr. C.M. Brown, duly seconded and carried that the Chairman appoint a finance committee of five members from the Executive Committee.

J. W. Faust
Rev. Osman Brown
S. Morton Brown
Rev. Mr. Spearman
Mr. Dusenberry

Mr. MacDougall reported that the Housing Committee, he has heard from several gentlemen whom he asked to serve on the Housing Committee and will call a meeting later.

Mr. Bonfield gave a report of Social Settlement Work contemplated by his Committee on employment and training. Miss Pendleton suggested that the social evenings which should be prepared for the Southern people, who are now in Newark would appeal more directly to the Friendly Visitors Committee, and as Mr. Bonfield is a member of that committee, it is a simple matter to arrange with the Committee who is already appointed, be transferred to the Friendly Visitors Committee. Mrs. Green reported the Friendly Visitors Committee meets regularly.

(Dictated by Miss Pendleton at meeting March 5th, before the Secretary, Miss Brown came in.)

Minutes continued as written by Miss Brown and corrected.

Miss Pendleton made a motion which was duly seconded and carried, that the motion of January 28th which decided that the money which is in the hands of the former Housing Committee, be turned over to the Negro Welfare League be rescinded.

Mr. Beverly stated that he was prepared to make report regarding some funds he had in hand. He reported that on a loan of \$11 which had been made, six dollars of which had been gotten from the Treasurer, he had collected \$8.25 to be paid back. He requested that the balance be collected by the Executive Secretary. Chairman stated that he would look after same.

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Treasurer made his report from January 22nd to February 19th as follows:

Receipts from membership-----	\$ 42.00	
Contributed by a friend-----	100.00	
Walters' & Cooks' Union Re. Fund-----	5.00	
Churches-----	6.75	
Total	\$ 153.75	\$153.75

Disbursements:

Cash Book-----	\$.80	
Postage-----	1.60	
For Relief (to Mr. Beverly)-----	6.00	
For Relief (to Mrs. Green)-----	5.00	
Total	\$ 13.80	12.80
		\$140.95

Motion by Mrs. Gregory, seconded by Miss Robinson, same received. Motion Passed.

It was reported from the Friendly Visitors' Committee that the chief concern was the finding of homes, and the suggestion was made that the advertising for same be spaced and put in the name of the League. It was asked that the League authorize the expenditure.

Mrs. E.M. Gregory moved, Mr. C.M. Brown seconded, that request be granted. Motion passed.

Mr. C. M. Brown referred to the proposed Mass Meeting. Beverly stated that plans had been made for a meeting of the Committee on Mass Meeting, but the meeting was called off by the Chairman, Mr. Stubblebine.

The Chairman stated that as there had been some misunderstanding, he had called the meeting off or rather had same postponed and that notices of postponement were sent but some were not received. He stated that he had suggested the Mass Meeting was made Chairman of the Committee on Mass Meeting, but that Beverly as Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee felt that he came under his committee.

He further said, that in order to avoid further trouble he had drawn up the rules and had same presented to the Committee for consideration, which rules were adopted in the beginning of the session of the Committee.

Rev. A.N. Stubblebine,

Rec. Sec.